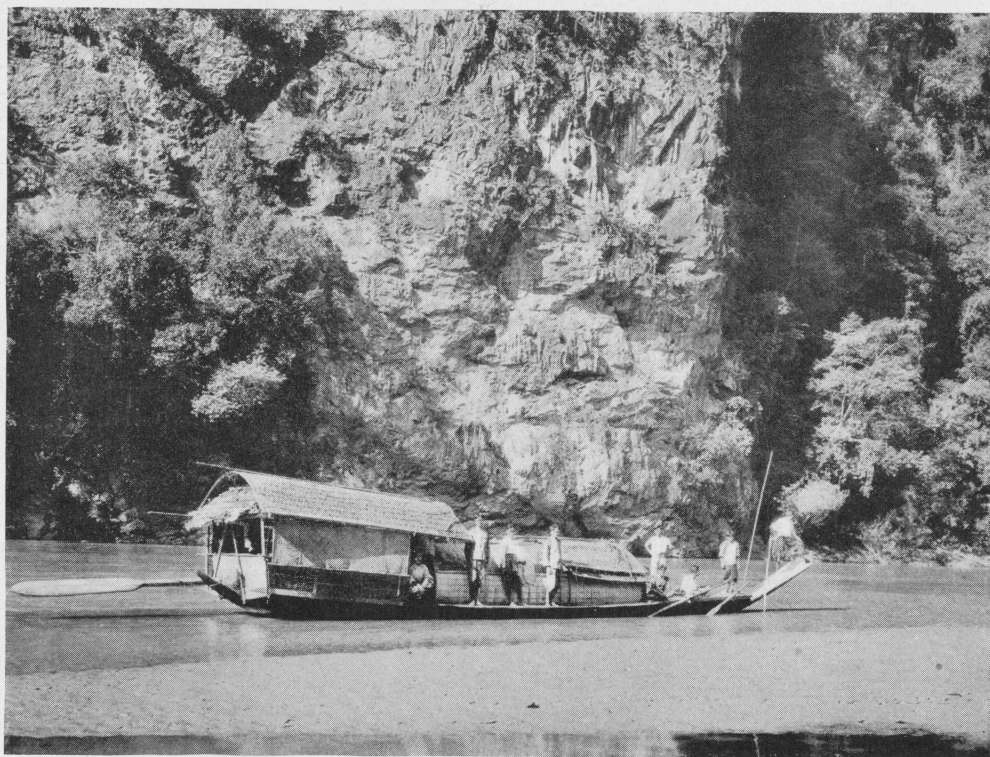




TEAK LOGS STRANDED ON A ROCK IN THE MEH PING, SHOWING THE HEIGHT THE RIVER ATTAINS IN THE RAINY SEASON (SEE TEXT, PAGE 255)



A LAO HOUSE-BOAT ANCHORED IN THE MEH PING

Here are seen the towering cliffs of red rock through which the river has cut its way at the defile known as Fa Man. The commodious craft on which the author traveled was manned by a Lao crew, an interpreter, a cook, and a boy (see text, page 255).